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See attached. We can discuss during tomorrow's check-in.

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What is a National Monument?

National Monuments are established by congressional legislation or presidential proclamation under the Antiquities Act of 1906. They protect objects of historic or scientific interest on public lands and encompass lands of tremendous diversity, ranging from the rugged California coastline to colorful desert canyons.

How many National Monuments does the BLM manage?

The BLM manages 27 National Monuments covering approximately 9.5 million acres of public lands.

What are National Conservation Areas and Similar Designations?

National Conservation Areas and similar designations are designated by Congress to conserve, protect, and enhance public lands featuring exceptional scientific, cultural, ecological, historical, and recreational resources and values. Similar designations are unique labels identified in the designating congressional legislation, but otherwise are like National Conservation Areas.

How many National Conservation Areas and Similar Designations does the BLM manage?

The BLM manages 16 National Conservation Areas and 5 Similar Designations, covering approximately 4.1 million acres of public lands.

How are National Monuments, National Conservation Areas, and Similar Designations managed?

National Monuments, National Conservation Areas, and Similar Designations are managed to protect the resources, objects, and values identified in their designating language in the respective congressional legislation or presidential proclamation. Each designation must follow the BLM's land use planning requirement for managing public lands, which includes public involvement (see: BLM policy 6220 – National Monuments, National Conservation Areas, and Similar Designations).

Do other federal agencies also manage these types of designations?

Other agencies including the National Park Service, U.S. Forest Service, and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service also manage National Monuments. National Conservation Areas exist only on BLM-managed public lands.

What do National Monuments, National Conservation Areas, and Similar Designations provide to the public?

BLM National Monuments, National Conservation Areas, and Similar Designations are open to a variety of recreation opportunities including hunting, fishing, horseback riding, hiking, rafting, and camping. Some units host over one million visitors per year.

The tables below provided a breakout by state and unit type for BLM-managed public lands.

27 BLM National Monuments 9,451,978 total acres			
State	Unit	BLM Acres	
Arizona	Agua Fria	70,980	
	Grand Canyon- Parashant	812,581	
	Ironwood Forest	128,756	
	Sonoran Desert	486,400	
	Vermilion Cliffs	279,566	
California	Berryessa Snow Mountain	110,000	
	California Coastal	8,858	
	Carrizo Plain	211,045	
	Fort Ord	7,212	
	Mojave Trails	1,600,000	
	Sand to Snow	83,000	
	Santa Rosa and San Jacinto	98,981	
	Mountains Browns Canyon	9,793	
Colorado	Canyons of the Ancients	176,000	
Idaho	Craters of the Moon	275,076	
Montana	Pompeys Pillar	51	
	Upper Missouri River Breaks	377,346	
New Mexico	Kasha-Katuwe Tent Rocks	4,647	
	Organ Mountains- Desert Peaks	419,532	
	Prehistoric Trackways	5,280	
	Rio Grande del Norte	242,710	
Nevada	Basin and Range	703,585	
	Gold Butte	296,937	
Oregon	Cascade-Siskiyou	113,341	
Utah	Bears Ears	1,063,000	
	Grand Staircase- Escalante	1,866,331	
Washington	San Juan Islands	970	

21 BLM National Conservation Areas and Similar Designations 4,113,092 total acres			
State	Unit	BLM	
State		Acres	
Alaska	Steese NCA	1,208,624	
Arizona	Gila Box Riparian NCA	21,767	
	Las Cienegas NCA	41,972	
	San Pedro Riparian NCA	56,431	
California	Headwaters Forest Reserve	7,472	
	King Range NCA	62,562	
	Piedras Blancas Historic Light Station ONA	20	
Colorado	Dominguez-Escalante NCA	210,149	
	Gunnison Gorge NCA	63,201	
	McInnis Canyons NCA	123,460	
Eastern States (Florida)	Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse ONA	86	
Idaho	Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey NCA	483,700	
Nevada	Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails NCA	799,485	
	Red Rock Canyon NCA	196,877	
	Sloan Canyon NCA	48,438	
New Mexico	El Malpais NCA	227,100	
	Fort Stanton-Snowy River Cave NCA	24,876	
Oregon	Steens Mountain CMPA	428,440	
	Yaquina Head ONA	95	
Utah	Beaver Dam Wash NCA	63,478	
	Red Cliffs NCA	44,859	